

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Order Instituting Rulemaking on the
Commission's Proposed Policies and Programs
Governing Low-Income Assistance Programs.

Rulemaking 01-08-027
(Filed August 23, 2001)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING
REQUESTING FURTHER COMMENT ON TWO PHASE 3 ISSUES**

By today's ruling, I am requesting further information with regard to two Phase 3 Standardization issues that are being addressed in Commissioner Wood's Draft Decision (Draft Decision) issued today. As discussed in that document, this information should be submitted with parties' comments and replies on the Draft Decision. Comments on the Draft Decision are due 20 days from the date of mailing, and replies are due 5 days thereafter.¹

Specifically, the utilities should clarify whether (or not) they plan to apply their proposed uniform limit for master-metered units to each contractor, or intend to vary the limits by county or geographic region. The utilities should provide the rationale for their implementation approach, and parties may respond in their reply comments on the Draft Decision. (See Section IV.C of the Draft Decision.) In addition, parties should explore the practicality of refining the utilities' proposal on ceiling insulation levels such that the minimum

¹ See Article 19 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure." These rules are accessible on the Commission's website at <http://www.cpuc.ca.gov>.

thresholds vary with respect to the heating days in the California Energy Commission's climate zones. (See Section IV.J of the Draft Decision.)

All comments on the Draft Decision should be served in accordance with the procedures we have used previously in this proceeding, namely, by electronic mail to all appearances and the state service list. Service by U.S. mail is optional, except that one hard copy of all comments should be mailed to Commissioner Wood's office and one to me (at P.O. Box 210, Volcano, CA 95689). In addition, if there is no electronic mail address available, the electronic mail is returned to the sender, or the recipient informs the sender of an inability to open the document, the sender shall immediately arrange for alternate service (regular U.S. mail shall be the default, unless another means—such as overnight delivery—is mutually agreed upon.) Current service lists for this proceeding are available on the Commission's web page at www.cpuc.ca.gov.

IT IS SO RULED.

Dated November 9, 2001, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ MEG GOTTSTEIN (by ang)

Meg Gottstein
Administrative Law Judge

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I have by mail this day served a true copy of the original attached Administrative Law Judge's Ruling Requesting Further Comment on Two Phase 3 Issues on all parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record.

Dated November 9, 2001, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ KRIS KELLER

Kris Keller

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